

APPARATUS, SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DESIGN SUPPORT

ABSTRACT

A design support system comprising a digital document related module for storing a digital document used for a design operation, a geometry data related module for storing geometry data designed during the design operation, and a reference relationship related module for generating reference relationship information (a digital document that includes a reference relationship to geometry data, or geometry data that include a reference relationship to a digital document) that is established between a specific digital document and specific geometry data. To display the reference relationship from the digital document to the geometry data, the digital document related module calls up and displays the digital document, while adding and displaying information to the digital document concerning a link to the reference target geometry data.